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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### "THUS WEEPS THE CROCODILE"

Mr. Nikita Khrushchev's crocodile tears over the conditions in Cyprus, and his championship of the Greek Cypriot inhabitants of that island, would be a source of perennial amusement, were it not for the fact that people with long tongues and short memories might take him seriously.

Far be it from us to give Mr. Khrushchev a history lesson, but as he and his regime modestly elect themselves to be the only true historians, we are obliged to do so.

First, we might ask, what are the British doing in Cyprus, anyway? The answer is, because they were invited there, principally to stop Russia overrunning Asia Minor, and partly as an award for stopping Russia seizing the Balkans. The Power that handed over Cyprus was Turkey, not Greece.

### Championed

SECOND, we might ask, why is Greece in a position today to pursue her clamour for Cyprus, and we might answer, because the cause of Greek freedom was championed by Britain and a strong British fleet. Had Britain not done so, it is possible that Greece today would be part of the Imperial Soviet Empire.

Third, why don't the British get out? The answer is, because Britain has responsibility there, to the minority peoples, and she is not prepared to leave them to a gunman's arbitrary judgment, nor to the mercy of a gangster politician.

When Turkey ceded Cyprus to Britain, it was thought at the time that the island would prove an obstacle to Russia's imperialistic ambitions, no less than they are today.

### Not Altered

THE Russian plan of conquest has not altered one bit with the overthrow of the Royal Czar and the substitution of the lay Czar, the aristocracy of the Soviet Empire.

Russia always has, and continues to have, ambitions on warm water ports. The dream of her Czar, continued by her dynasty of election by terror Czar, is to overrun the warm lands south of her huge empire.

Cyprus itself is small and insignificant as a sphere of influence, but as a propaganda object, it is of considerable value, and the image of "Big Brother" Nikita Khrushchev weeping over the lot of the Greek inhabitants of Cyprus creates a pathetic picture for the ignorant and uninformed.

### No Objection

WE have no objection to Mr. Khrushchev weeping, rather do we admire such sympathy in so august a Czar, but surely Mr. Khrushchev's tears should fall a little nearer home. Say for the Eastern Germans, who wish to unite with their own people. And for the Hungarians who died to wrest freedom from Mr. Khrushchev. And for the thousands of Poles who have died because they were "liberated" by Mr. Khrushchev; and for all the Eastern Europeans who grown under Russia's imperial tyranny.

Then, and only then, can we sympathise with Mr. Khrushchev, and ask if he will spare a few tears for the Turks who also feel they have a stake in Cyprus, and a more legitimate one than the Greeks.

# BIG THREE ASSURE NATO ALLIES

## Willing To Meet USSR At Summit

By ARTHUR HIGBEE

Copenhagen, May 5. The Western Big Three assured their NATO Atlantic Allies today that they were ready to meet the Soviets in a summit conference. But they stressed that they would do so only after careful advance preparation and if there were good chances of such a meeting achieving some results.

### Renewed

These renewed assurances by the US, Britain and France highlighted the opening sessions today of a three-day meeting of the 13 Foreign Ministers of the North Atlantic Council.

But the US Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, warned bluntly that the US was not prepared in any circumstances to accept Russia's claim to the so-called "principle of parity" in East-West negotiations.

### LLOYD ILL

Copenhagen, May 5. Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, British Foreign Secretary, is confined to bed with a sore throat and a slight temperature, a British spokesman said here tonight.

The British Embassy doctor visited Mr. Lloyd this evening and acting on the doctor's advice, Mr. Lloyd decided that he would not be able to attend a banquet the Danish Government is giving tonight for NATO Foreign Ministers.

The spokesman said Mr. Lloyd hoped to be well enough to attend the second day tomorrow of the NATO conference. — Reuters.

### The Future

He warned that it was not merely a question of sitting down with Communist Poland and Czechoslovakia, but it raised a much broader issue for the future, including the UN. He cautioned that acceptance of this principle ultimately might result in giving Russia the same veto possibilities in the UN General Assembly that she already has in the Security Council.

The British Foreign Secretary, Selwyn Lloyd, and the French Foreign Minister, Christian Pineau, fully supported the US position. Mr. Lloyd said Britain still believed the Soviets wanted a summit meeting, though on their own terms. But he conceded that recent Soviet manoeuvres, such as dragging the US before the Security Council, might indicate a lessening desire for a summit meeting.

The Council was scheduled to continue the summit discussion tomorrow when some of the smaller nations, particularly the Scandinavians, were expected to have their say.

However, conference officials expressed confidence that the 15 NATO nations were now pretty much in step on this, with considerably less pressure from the Europeans than in the past to hold a summit meeting on almost any terms. — United Press.

## WAIT TILL NEXT YEAR!



## Princess Anne Has Visitors

London, May 5. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh drove to a London hospital tonight to see their seven-year-old daughter, Princess Anne, whose tonsils and adenoids had been removed earlier in the day.

The Queen and the Duke spent 20 minutes by the bedside of the Princess before returning to the palace. After they had left it was learned at the hospital that the Princess was continuing to make satisfactory progress and her temperature was normal.

Princess Anne, second in line to the throne, entered the hospital for sick children in Great Ormond Street yesterday. She was placed in a private ward and spent the night in the hospital awaiting this morning's operation. — Reuters.

### Strike Off

Colombo, May 5. A 13-day old strike by Ceylon public servants was called off today after the government had agreed to negotiate on the strikers' demands for increased living allowances and political rights. — Reuters.

## 100 TROOPS SURRENDER TO GOVT

Singapore, May 5. GOVERNMENT flying columns (armed out of the fallen rebel capital of Bukit Tinggi today, in a hunt for rebel sympathisers, and the remnants of the insurgent Central Sumatran Army.

One hundred rebel troops had surrendered with their arms today, Djakarta Radio reported.

The rebel "Premier" Mr. Sjafruddin Prawiranegara, and his "Cabinet" have split up into small groups, and are hiding in the jungle, military sources in Djakarta said.

## Threat Of Rail Strike Now

London, May 6. London's crippling bus strike enters its second day today — with the bigger threat looming of a national rail stoppage.

Crucial talks during the day may decide whether 600,000 railwaymen join 50,000 busmen in a national transport strike for higher wages.

Leaders of three rail unions expect today to hear the final answer to their pay claims at a meeting with Sir Brian Robertson, Chairman of the British Transport Commission.

### UNSATISFACTORY

They will discuss the Commission's reply later with their executive committees and if it is considered unsatisfactory, a strike decision is considered possible by industrial observers.

The general belief is that Sir Brian, head of the State rail system, will tell the Union chiefs that the Government has agreed to a partial restoration of the railway modernisation programme.

This will lead in time to higher productivity and ultimately enable the commission to pay higher wages.

Sir Brian is expected by observers to offer the Union leaders pay rises in the autumn — but they may consider this too far ahead. — Reuters.

## Labour's Queen Was A Tory Worker!

Birmingham, May 5. A 19-year-old blonde confessed today to the Labour Party that she had crowned her May Day Queen that she was really treasurer of the local Young Conservative's Association.

Slender blue-eyed, Jacqueline Towers, had been crowned and kissed three times by union chief Mr. Frank Cousins before a crowd of 2,000 in Victoria Square yesterday.

Tories were gleeful at the news. "This is the biggest laugh of the election campaign," said local Conservative candidate Mr. Peter Ashley.

### PRETENDED

Labourites pretended they knew all along. "There are no red faces here. This is just a Tory stunt," said Mr. Harold Nash, Secretary of the Birmingham Labour Party.

Jacqueline's mother, a member of the Labour-supporting co-operative women's guild, had put her name down for the competition.

Jacqueline was unabashed by the whole thing. "I joined the Young Conservative club purely for social activities," she said. "My boy-friend is a member too. I entered just for the fun of it."

"I am not old enough to vote and the whole thing is non-political." — China Mail Special.

## THEIR LARGEST IN HISTORY Two Million Bank Robbery In Canada

Montreal, May 5. Police today seized a suspect and recovered most of the US\$2,000,000 worth of securities stolen from a bank in Canada's biggest robbery.

The robbery was staged over the weekend at the Brockville Savings and Trust Co. at Brockville, Ontario, by safe-crackers who cut their way through steel-plated walls. The loot included cashable bearer bonds and negotiable securities that could be shipped out of Canada and converted into cash.

The arrest and recovery of the securities came several hours after the robbery was disclosed this morning.

### Wild Chase

Montreal Constable Roger Faber arrested the suspect, Rene Martin, 24, of Montreal, single-handedly after a wild chase in the City's East End. Detectives questioned Martin and then picked up the securities from a luggage locker in Montreal's Central Station.

Police said that "at least a major part of the loot was recovered—possibly all of it."

The loot included two million dollars in bearer securities and bonds, US\$16,000 in cash and an unknown amount in non-negotiable securities.

Brockville, which is directly across the St. Lawrence River from Morrisville, New York, is about 125 miles up the river from Montreal and about 60 miles south of Toronto.

The robbery was the second giant theft at a Canadian bank this year. Last January 25-26, a Montreal bank was robbed of US\$1,789,400 worth of negotiable bonds using similar techniques.

### Discounted

Police discounted, however, a theory that the Brockville robbery was tied up with the Montreal theft.

The break-in was discovered by members of the cleaning staff when they arrived for work on Sunday morning.

The bandits cut a hole in the ceiling of the bank office and used acetylene torches to slice open a half inch steel plate around the vault. They used electric drills and other equipment to complete the job.

One bank official said that "it is quite apparent that the robbery was committed by experts because highly technical equipment was left on the premises." — United Press.

## THE RIGHT BAG!

Maspeth, May 5. The suspense ended on a dismal note today for Muller Dairies, Inc.

A gunman held up Timothy Dahill, 30, the firm's office manager, last Saturday just as he was about to put two canvas bags in the night deposit vault of a nearby bank.

Dahill managed to drop one of the bags into the vault before the bandit hit him and grabbed the other one. One bag contained US\$1,782 in cash and US\$16,017 in cheques. The other contained only Company records.

The firm had to wait until today when the bank opened to find out which bag the bandit took. It was the one with the cash and cheques. — United Press.

### UK Rejection

London, May 5. Britain will reject the Rapacki Plan for a nuclear free zone in Central Europe, informed sources said today.

These sources said Britain will reply to a Polish note which suggested the zone in the near future. The note, they added, would follow the general line laid down by the United States over the weekend—rejection of the plan. — United Press.

## Prediction Of Ike's Resignation

Washington, May 5. THE Democratic Party's National Chairman, Mr. Paul Butler, predicted tonight that President Eisenhower might resign before the Republican Party's Presidential nominating convention in 1960.

Interviewed in a radio programme, he claimed there were indications that Mr. Eisenhower was now feeling the burdens of his office too great for him to serve out his second term.

### Conclusion

Mr. Butler said he "would venture to guess" that the President would step down and turn over his duties to the Vice-President, Mr. Richard Nixon, because of a conclusion that he felt "unable to continue to discharge the responsibilities and duties" of his office.

(The President, asked to comment at his press conference last week of a rumour that he might resign, replied: "I took on something that I think is a duty, and I'm going to perform that duty as long as I think I am capable of doing it.")

Told of Mr. Butler's statement and asked for comment, Mrs. Anne Wheaton, the President's Associate Press Secretary, said: "The White House has no comment. Mr. Butler speaks for himself and no one else." — Reuters.

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## IS NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV THE TARGET?

# WHY PEKING ATTACKED YUGOSLAVIA VIOLENT VERBAL ASSAULTS

Paris, May 5.  
Diplomatic observers here said today they believed the sudden bitter attack of China against the Yugoslav Communists was aimed primarily at Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, the architect of the policy of rapprochement with Yugoslavia.

These observers were commenting on the violent anti-Yugoslav attack in the Chinese Party organ People's Daily yesterday. It is an attack which recalled the violent verbal assaults made on Yugoslavia at the time of her break with the Cominform in 1948.

While the current controversy between Belgrade and Moscow has been confined to the ideological field and softened by mutual assurances of political friendship, the People's Daily accused Yugoslav President Josip Broz Tito and his party of betraying Leninist doctrine, agreeing with the positions of "right-wing Socialists," seeking to break the unity of the "Socialist camp" and supporting "the renegade line. Now, the deposed Hungarian Premier, the violence of the attack came as a surprise because until now no serious problem has been raised in Chinese-Yugoslav relations. Observers here said it was highly probable the present Soviet ideological quarrel with Yugoslavia was initiated, not by Khrushchev, but by Soviet Communist Party Secretary Nikhail Suslov and other Stalinists.

### NO FREE HAND

Khrushchev does not have a free hand within the Soviet leadership, these observers said, adding that he apparently must sometimes bend to the will of a powerful internal opposition, as evidenced by certain tougher turns taken by Soviet foreign policy.

Observers also pointed out the fact that Khrushchev had to rally support from the strengthened Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party to obtain the ouster of the Molotov anti-party group. In this context, the Chinese attack on the Yugoslavs appears to constitute support for the tough Suslov group of Soviet leaders against the Khrushchev position, observers said. In any case, Khrushchev's general policy does not seem to favour Chinese interests—a summit conference without Chinese participation, a détente with the West based on the status quo, that is on the abandonment of Formosa to Chiang Kai-shek and an economic policy channelling to the Arab countries and Soviet internal consumption the goods which China badly needs. —France-Press.

## Fifteen Arrested For Booing President

ROMAN NOBLEMAN AND AN ARMY OFFICER

Rome, May 6.  
Fifteen persons, including a nobleman and a retired army colonel, faced penal charges today for booing President Giovanni Gronchi before an exclusive international gathering at the Rome horse show last Friday. The political office of the Rome Police announced the arrest of three students and charges against 12 other persons today after three days of investigation.

The announcement was the first official reaction to the embarrassing incident, which came at the peak of Italy's general election campaign. Loud boos and whistles from a crowd of 5,000 greeted President Gronchi's delay in descending to the race track to hand prizes to the winning German team in Friday's Grand Prix of Nations.

### ANOTHER WAGE DEMAND

London, May 5.  
About 120,000 workers in the British Chemical industry today made a formal demand through their trade union leaders for a "substantial" pay rise. The 100,000 workers concerned in heavy chemicals will present their claim to the employers on May 15 and the remainder, employed in the drug and fine chemicals section of the industry on May 23. —China Mail Special.

### Rioters Die

Damascus, May 5.  
Syrian newspapers reported today that 20 people have been killed in Iraqi riots which reportedly were most violent in Bagdad and Najaf. —France-Press.

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## Did Lady Astor Blush —Or Didn't She?

London, May 5.  
Did Lady Astor (aged 78) giggle or protest on being kissed by the 67-year-old South African High Commissioner, Dr John Halloway?  
The British press could not make up its mind on the sequel to this top drawer osculation.  
The High Commissioner planted a gallant kiss on the cheek of Lady Astor to acknowledge the gift of a pink geranium.



Lady Astor

Lady Astor, president of the Geranium Society, was presenting 101 different varieties of the flower to South Africa—where it originally grew wild.  
The News Chronicle reported that after the kiss, Lady Astor responded by declaring: "I can't stand all this kissing in public. I don't even like it within the family—never did."  
Dr Halloway, according to the newspaper, "looked suitably abashed."  
The Daily Mirror, however, said that when Dr Halloway stepped forward to kiss her, Lady Astor giggled and said: "I hope you realise I'm a designing widow."  
Then added the Mirror, the "High Commissioner blushed."  
—China Mail Special.

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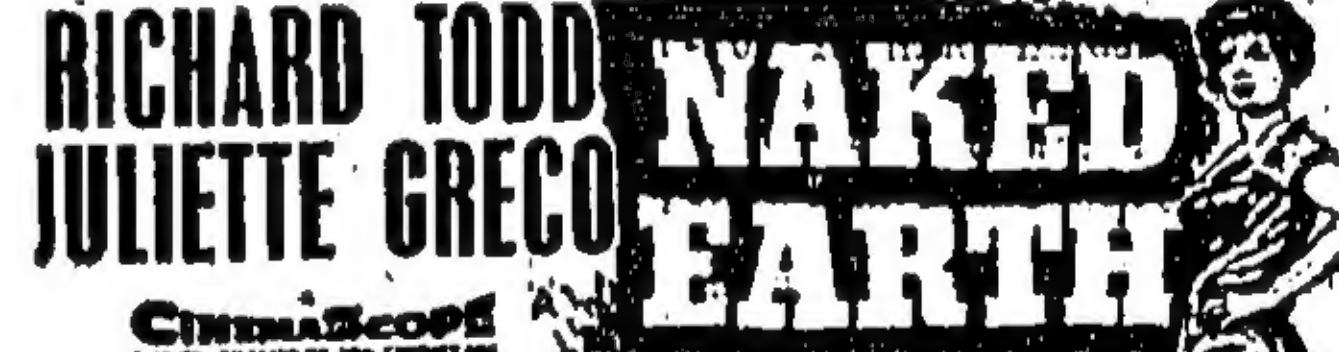
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## CABLE BRIEFS

Newark, May 5. Ronald A. Booker, 30, recovered a packet of heroin when police arrested him on drug charges. Police recovered the evidence by using a stomach pump. But the judge acquitted Booker today, ruling that a man's stomach is inviolate and police had no right to go poking around it.—China Mail Special.

Stafford Springs, May 5. Captain Roy W. Fox, an Army Reserve officer, said he swerved his M-47 tank yesterday to avoid a motorist who froze at the wheel and headed right at the tank—apparently unserved by the 60-mm cannon aimed at him. The only casualties were six fence posts, flattened by the tank.—United Press.

London, May 5. Twice in six months the bronze statue has been stolen from the statue of King George VI which stands near the gateway of Nottingham Castle. And replacements cost £25 a time. So the city's arts committee plans to plant a thick thorn hedge around the statue.—Express.

London, May 5. Several specimens have been withheld from a sale of ex-king Farouk's clocks and watches to be held in Cairo. As the banned clocks strike the hour, a statue of a nude woman appears—with a romantic sigh.—Express.

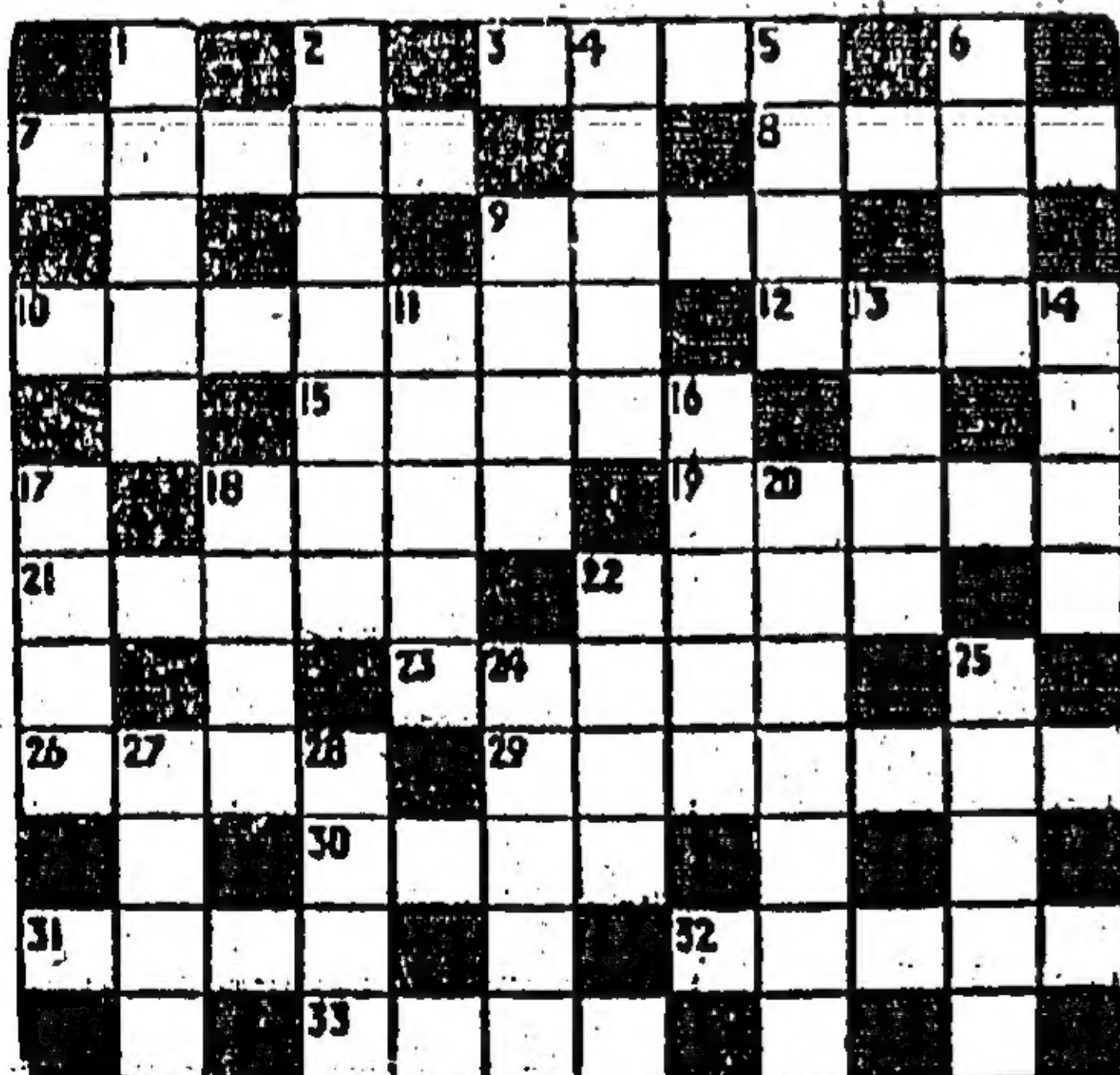
London, May 5. A 15-year-old boy tried to get a platform ticket from a machine at Victoria Station by using a metal disc instead of a coin. Suddenly 60 tickets poured out. But the boy was caught before he could get one. He was conditionally discharged at Chelsea yesterday.—Express.

London, May 5. A passer-by reported seeing a man in a Nottingham silver-suit shop early yesterday. Police rushed to the shop, surrounded it, then an officer broke in to find a tailor's dummy used for a display.—Express.

London, May 5. A boy of 15 was put on probation at Birmingham Juvenile Court, yesterday, for stealing "while armed with an offensive weapon, namely a handkerchief." He made the handkerchief look like a gun.—Express.

Kuala Lumpur, May 5. Five hundred Hindu tappers on a rubber plantation in Central Malaya are threatening to go on strike unless a 22% pay rise is granted by the manager. They say the strike is the remuneration of a dead tapper who came to "visit old friends."—Express.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- Across**
- One's double? (4)
  - Berry Sander? (4)
  - Spanish frontier town (4)
  - Cheating aid (4)
  - Ancient historian, understood by us (7)
  - Printing instructor (4)
  - They don't, however, only take you up (5)
  - A musical character (4)
  - Just a slip (5)
  - Encourage subtly (5)
  - Outstanding guy? (4)
  - Outstanding wear (5)
  - Swindler (4)
  - Needing a drink (7)
  - What to hope for (4)
  - Stupid (4)
  - Expert force (5)
  - Change in hospital (4)
- Down**
- Fold a letter following a request (5)
  - Orange city (7)
  - Least desirable (5)
  - Pens, or parts of them (4)
  - Put right (4)
  - A blow over the wrist (5)
  - Flow of fasteners? (5)
  - Water retainers (4)
  - River (4)
  - Indolence (5)
  - Blind (4)
  - Give up (4)
  - Trying times (7)
  - Oddly enough, it's nowhere near the Wash (4)
  - Not browned off (5)
  - Pile as a fowl (5)
  - Double-reed instrument (4)
  - Burglar's booty (4)

**MONDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across 1. Eat, 2. Ohio, 3. Nooks, 10. Ruler, 11. East, 12. On the way up, 13. R.S.V.P., 14. Coen, 15. Comedian, 22. Ruby, 24. Frank, 25. R.H.-one, 26. Door, 27. Reformer, 28. Scott, 3. Elsie, 4. Mortar, 5. Colour, 6. 0 (Five), 8. Heaps, 12. Taper, 13. O.S.-ear, 14. Honorary, 17. Oche, 18. Smoker, 20. Norse, 21. Elope, 23. Upon.

## France's President Persuades Premier-Candidate Pleven Agrees To Try Again

SALUTE FROM AN ADMIRER



THREE-YEAR-OLD Graham Hockley of Chelmsford, imitated the guards as he stood to attention and saluted during the Guard Mounting ceremony on the Horse Guards Parade recently. The ceremony was held by the 2nd Bn. Coldstream Guards.—Keystone.

## —But The Chances Look Slimmer Than Ever

Paris, May 5.

President Rene Coty tonight refused for the third time to let Premier-candidate Rene Plevin give up trying to form a government, even though M. Plevin's chances looked slimmer than ever. The President, in persuading M. Plevin to make yet another bid to form a government, re-appointed him Prime Minister Designate. The President thus turned the tables on the Popular Republicans (Catholics) who earlier today refused their support to M. Plevin on the grounds that they could only consider their attitude towards an official Prime Minister Designate.

## Calcutta's Cholera Epidemic Kills 1,042

Calcutta, May 5.

The cholera epidemic raging in Calcutta since early last month was authoritatively stated today to be "declining".

City health authorities recorded 158 deaths from cholera last week as against 310 the previous week. The disease has so far claimed 1,042 lives. Official measures are still continuing to check the disease. The last time Calcutta was hit by a cholera epidemic was in 1950 when 4,210 people died out of 9,531 attacks.—Reuter.

## Egypt Is 'Dictating' To Arab States, Iraq Charges

"UAR RELATIONS HAVE BEEN IMPAIRED"

Baghdad, May 5. The Iraqi Foreign Minister, Fadi Jamali, charged today that Egypt had impaired Arab State relations by trying to "dictate" their policies.

The Foreign Minister made the charge at a news conference here as Iraqis went to the polls to elect a new Parliament. Jamali, who just returned from a mission to the Sudan, told the conference: "Good relations between Arab States depend on mutual respect and non-interference in the internal or external affairs of other States."

## AGREEMENT

He said he had found complete agreement during his three days of talks in the Sudan on the proposition that all Arab States had the right to independence and decide their own policies. Iraq, he said, had exercised that right when it joined the Baghdad Pact—a decision attacked by President Nasser of the United Arab Republic. Jamali said, "No other Arab State has the right to attack us because we exercised the right of self-defence."

He said the Baghdad Pact was defensive and not a tool of foreign policy as Egyptian propaganda claims it is.

He said he found that Iraq and the Sudan could co-operate a good deal in political, economic and cultural fields. Agreement had been reached, he revealed, on the opening of a branch of the Iraqi Agricultural Bank in the Sudan with a capital of 1,000,000 dinars (US\$2,800,000) to make loans to Sudanese farmers. Jamali also made it known that Iraqi economic and industrial missions recently visited the Sudan—a country on Egypt's southern borders with which Cairo's policy has traditionally favoured unity. He said he had discussed the threat of world Communism during his visit but found the

Sudanese less concerned than Iraq because they were further removed.

He added that his country supported the principles of the United Nations and the Arab League.

But he said Iraq had delayed paying its dues to the Arab League because the League had not helped us to repair our losses from the disruption of oil shipments.

He recalled that several years ago he had proposed that the pipeline which ran to Haifa, in Israel, should be diverted through Syria and the Lebanon, but the League shelved the question because the two countries could not agree on terms with the Iraqi Petroleum Company.

Since Iraq refuses to ship oil through Israel, she has lost 150,000,000 dinars during the last ten years, he said.

Iraq lost an additional 50,000,000 dinars when the Syrians destroyed pumping stations on existing pipelines during the Suez crisis, he added.

He said they would be repaired within a few months and Iraq would pay the League dues of about 200,000 dinars when the debts incurred because of the losses were repaid.—United Press.

## Demonstrations In Copenhagen

Copenhagen, May 5.

An estimated crowd of between 3,000 and 4,000 Danish Communists and Socialists demonstrated on Copenhagen's broad City Hall Square tonight against nuclear arms for NATO countries and other NATO members.

The demonstrations were staged to celebrate the 13th anniversary of Denmark's liberation from the German occupation. But it coincided also with the NATO meeting now taking place in the Christiansborg Palace here.—United Press.

## 'SATCHMO' BOWS OUT OF BRUSSELS FAIR



Louis Armstrong

New York, May 5. Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong has bowed out of the Brussels World Fair, it was disclosed today. The jazz trumpeter cancelled a previously-announced engagement at the United States pavilion because of a "prior commitment" to play in New York City's Lewisohn Stadium on his 58th birthday, July 4. The original schedule, as announced by Jean Dailly, co-ordinator for the US performing arts programme at the fair, called for "Satchmo" to open at the fair on his birthday. It was not yet known whether Armstrong's schedule would permit him to appear at the fair later in the year.—United Press.

## SWISS SECRET AGENT ON TRIAL

Gave Classified Information Away

Bern, May 5.

A senior Swiss counter-intelligence agent confessed today that he gave away secrets to a French agent—because his former chief had done the same.

Federal Police Inspector Max Ulrich, 51, a veteran of 31 years' service, admitted giving a large number of "classified" and "secret" documents to the French attaché and Secret Service officer, Marcel Mercier. Ulrich faced a Federal Criminal Court on charges of giving "illegal political" intelligence to the detriment of Switzerland.

## SUICIDE

He said his former chief, the late Federal Attorney-General, Rene Dubois, also had handed out classified documents. Dubois, the Swiss counter-intelligence chief, committed suicide in the attic of his home last year after an investigation revealed that he had dealings with French agents. Ulrich said most of the documents involved pertained to the activities of North Africans in Switzerland.

If convicted, Ulrich faces a maximum penalty of 20 years' imprisonment.—United Press.

## London Drivers Get Away With It!

Cars were parked with gleeful abandon in London's traffic-jammed streets and red-faced policemen could do very little about moving them.

For they were told quite firmly by their little slow-moving trailer-chief police weapon in the battle to keep the streets clear—was illegal.

For some time they have used the mobile trailers to remove any parked cars which are holding up traffic.

It was the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Goddard, who announced they were breaking the law. The trailer was illegal, because it had no mudguards and not enough springs, he said. Upsetting the conviction of a garage owner for using a similar-type trailer, Lord Goddard said: "It is a law."

## "For Meritorious Public Service"

## Little Rock Editor Gets The Pulitzer Prize

New York, May 5.

The Pulitzer Prize for meritorious public service was awarded today to the Arkansas Gazette of Little Rock. Its Executive Editor, Harry S. Ashmore received the Pulitzer Prize for editorial writing.

The newspaper was cited for "Demonstrating the highest qualities of civic leadership, journalistic responsibility and moral courage in the face of mounting public tension during the school integration crisis."

Ashmore was cited for "the forcefulness, dispassionate analysis and clarity of his editorials" during the crisis.

The Awards to the Arkansas Gazette and its Executive Editor were said to be the first instance in the 41-year history of the prizes in which a newspaper has won two awards for coverage of the same story.

Other awards in journalism announced today by the trustees of Columbia University went to the Fargo, North Dakota, Forum; George Beveridge of the Washington Evening Star; Reiman Morin of the Associated Press; Clark Mottinoff of the Des Moines (Iowa) Register and Tribune; The New York Times; Bruce M. Shanks of the Buffalo Evening News; and William Beall of the Washington (N. J.) Daily News.

A special citation was awarded to Walter Lippmann of the New York Herald-Tribune.

The Pulitzer prize for an American play was awarded to "Look Homeward, Angel," by Ketti Frings. Miss Frings' play, winner also of the Drama Critics Award, was based on the novel by Thomas Wolfe.

The Nobel Award went to "A Death in the Family" by the late James Agee. The Award in Biography went to "George Washington," Vols. 1-6, of which were written by the late Douglas Southall Freeman, and Vol. 7 by John Alexander Carroll and Mary Wells Ashworth after Freeman's death in 1953.

The Pulitzer Prize for a work of history was presented to Ray Hammond, 71, retired Assistant Secretary of the Federal Reserve Board for his volume, "Banks and Politics in America: From the Revolution to the Civil War."

The Award in Poetry went to Robert Penn Warren for "Promises: Poems 1954-56." The Prize for a Distinguished Musical Composition was awarded to Samuel Barber for the score of "Vanessa," an opera presented at the Metropolitan Opera House on Jan. 15, 1958.—United Press.

## The Queen's Twelfth Trip

Sovereign Lives Up To Maxim

London, May 5.

Queen Elizabeth's visit to Ghana next year, will be her 12th trip abroad since she ascended the throne in 1952.

In 1950, when she and the Duke of Edinburgh returned here from a three-week visit to Nigeria, the Queen quoted a Nigerian proverb:

"A young person who travels extensively and mixes freely is more experienced than an older person who stays in the same place."

The 32-year-old sovereign has lived up to this maxim. As Princess Elizabeth and as Queen, she has visited 26 countries and Commonwealth territories.

Commonwealth and British territories she has seen are: South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Malta, Canada, Kenya, Bermuda, Jamaica, Fiji, Tonga, New Zealand, Australia, Ceylon, Uganda, Gibraltar and Holland.

Foreign countries she has visited are: France, Greece, Italy, the United States, Panama, Libya, Norway, Sweden, Portugal, Denmark and Holland. Last year, when the Gold Coast became the new nation of Ghana, the Queen sent her aunt, the Duchess of Kent, as her representative.—China Mail Special.

## Blanket's Inventor

Bristol, May 5. The essay of Thomas Blanket, inventor of the bed-covering bearing his name, was covered up for the first time in 600 years in St Stephen's Church, Bristol, while workers began restoring the medieval building. The covering was old sacks.—China Mail Special.

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# THIRD ASIAN GAMES PROSPECTS

THEY RODE TO FAME

## The Tragic Genius Of Tod Sloan

By PERCY RUDD

The last two stanzas of a prize-winner in a verse competition run by a London newspaper when Tod Sloan, the American jockey, made his short-lived but tremendous impact upon the English racing scene were:

So backers cheer and bookies groan  
As race by race is won by Sloan  
On horses chestnut, bay or roan—  
No matter if they're shoddy.  
They may be broken-kneed or lame—  
He wins upon them just the same.  
So here's to health and wealth and fame  
Of Yankee-doodle Toddy!

Sloan is remembered best as the little man who revolutionised British racing by introducing what he himself called the "monkey-on-a-stick" seat. Other jockeys sat straight up in the saddle, but Sloan crouched over the horse's neck. His successes were so phenomenal that the derision which first greeted him was soon silenced—and imitation followed.

### Short Leathers

Previously Sloan had seen an American jockey, Henry Griffin—the best of his day—riding with short leathers and leaning forward. There must be something in the idea. So he developed the new seat and began to win races.

And how he won them! In two years in America before his first appearance in Britain his average of winners to mounts was over 30 per cent.

In England, where he arrived in the late autumn of 1937 to ride St Cloud II for James R. Keene, an American owner, he had 21 winners (including four and one second) in a day at Manchester from 48 mounts. St Cloud won neither race, but was second in the Cambridge-

shire. Next year in a slightly longer Autumn visit he won 43 races—five in a day at Newmarket. In his first full season, 1939, he had 100 winners from 345 mounts. In 1930, when he won the Ascot Gold Cup for Mrs Langtry, he had 310 mounts and 93 winners.

### Broken Leg

He was third in the Derby and Oaks in 1930 and would probably have beaten the great Flying Fox in the 1930 Derby on the French horse Holocaust had his mount not broken a leg two furlongs from home. That year he won the 1,000 Guineas on Sibola and was second on her in the Oaks.

But it wasn't only the seat that brought Sloan his triumphs. He made friends with horses that wouldn't let others come near them and "kidded" bad and ungenerous animals to win. He had wonderful hands, an unerring judgment of pace, and was, in fact, a genius in the saddle.

English jockeys resented his intrusion and didn't like him, which made the tribute paid him by Fred Rickaby the more remarkable. Fred, asked by George Lambton, the trainer for whom he rode, what he thought of the American, said "If I were an owner I should not run a horse unless Sloan rode it."

Lambton told a story that threw a vivid light on the best side of Sloan's character. Tod was vain, brash, reckless, undisciplined, often rude—but he knew and loved a good horse. The incident happened at Kempton Park.

### Exhausted, But...

Sloan came back completely exhausted from riding the mullah and self-willed Knight of the Thistle to victory in the Jubilee. After weighing out under protest for Bobette, one of Lambton's horses in the next race, he lay down on his back in the paddock and said "It's no use; I can't ride."

A beautiful little filly walking past caught his eye. "Is that my horse?" he asked. When the trainer said "Yes," Sloan was on his feet in a moment, all fatigue and depression gone. He won the race easily.

Sloan was the son of a former officer in the United States Army who, at the time of his birth, combined the business of an estate agent with that of a barber. His real name was James Forman Sloan. His father called him Tod because he was so small—hence the name Tod, or Todhunter, by which he was later known.

After working in gas and oil works, livery stable, carriage and factory, drinking saloon and travelling show at country fairs, he went at the age of 13 into a

cards and drinking into the late hours of the night and was unfit to ride.

The final blow soon followed. It was told not to apply for the renewal of his licence for 1931, in which season he had been promised a retainer of 5,000 guineas by the Prince of Wales, afterwards King Edward VII.

### Out Off

The stewards never went back on that decision and Sloan was cut off from racing throughout the world at the height of his powers when only 25. He was never "warned off," so he could still frequent racetracks and ride gallops.

He went to France and made some money buying, selling and backing horses. One night at Dieppe he cleared over £1,000 at roulette, lost all but seven francs, put five francs back on the gaming table and finally went away with £1,125.

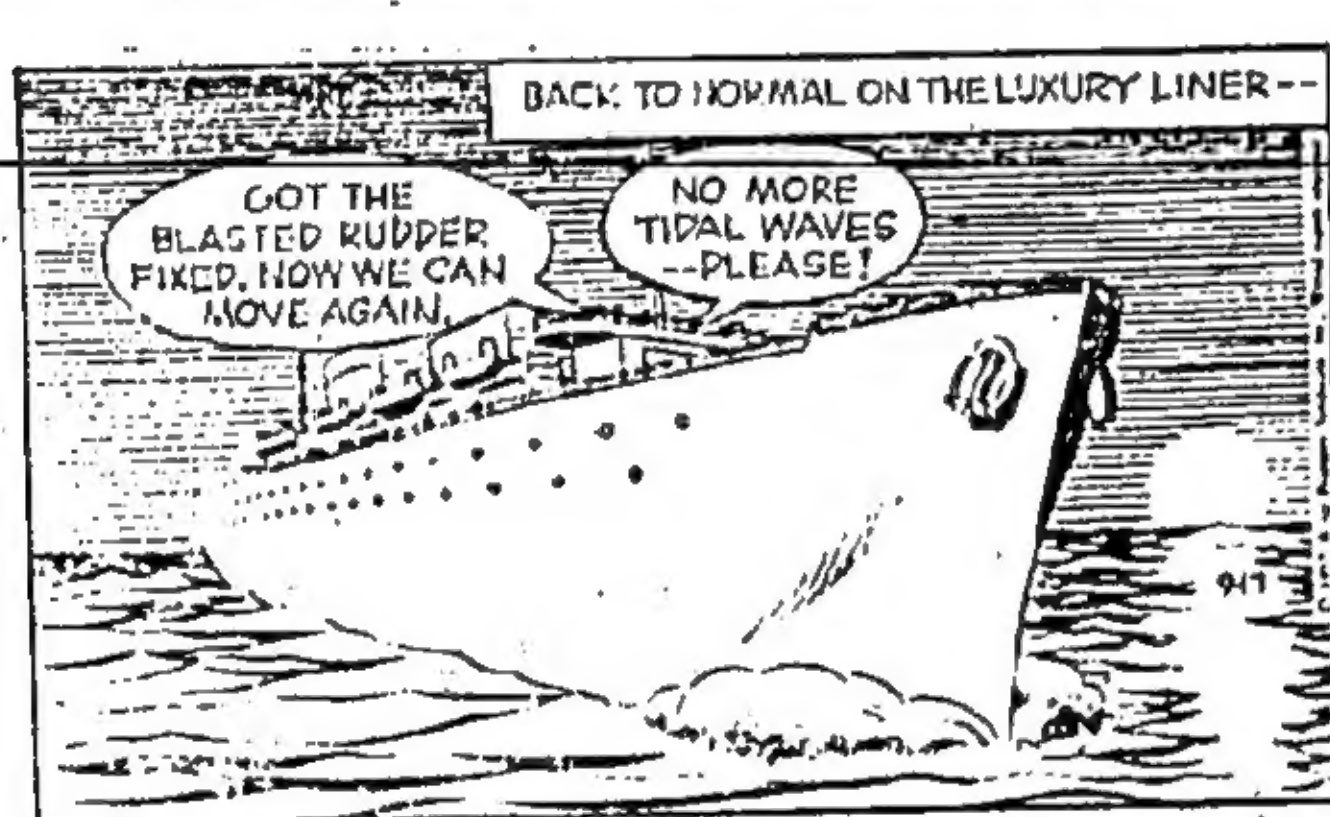
At Monte Carlo he won the £1,000 first prize in the big pigeon shooting contest, plus £1,000 in bets at 10 to 1.

Back home in America he lost £20,000 in a motor car business, started a big billiard-table enterprise, and went on the vaudeville stage telling stories. He took a bar in Paris, became a bookmaker in New York, and drove a Red Cross wagon in the first world war.

When he died three days before Christmas in 1933, at the age of 33, in a Los Angeles hospital his estate was valued at £1,100. That was only a fifth of what his tie-ups were worth when he took them with him in England on his second visit in 1939.

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## PI Expect To Take Second Place In Overall Standings

Manila, May 5.

The Philippines, host of and runner-up in the Second Asian Games in 1954, sends her top athletes to Tokyo for the Third Asian without any illusion that they can work enough miracles to topple Japan, unofficially the defending champion.

Games officials are horrified that competition is graded according to each country's performances, insisting that only individuals count.

The ubiquitous press, however, distributes its honours according to various point systems, country for country, and nobody can stop them.

Under any point system, Japan's track and field athletes are again expected to sweep top honours. They won in the following events in the 2nd Asian: 100-metre run; 400-metre run; 5,000-metre run; 3,000-metre steeplechase; 4 x 100-metre relay; 4 x 400-metre relay; pole vault; running broad jump; hop, step and jump; and hammer throw.

The Philippines could only manage second and sixth places in the 100-metre dash; sixth place in the 110-metre hurdles; third in the 400-metre hurdles; fourth in the 3,000-metre steeplechase; third in the 4 x 100-metre relay; and fourth and sixth in the javelin throw.

### Best Two

In the century dash, however, this time the Philippines may pocket first place in Tokyo. Her best two sprinters—Isaac Gomez and Enrique Bautista—recently equalled with ease the Asian Games mark of 10.6 set by Pakistan's Abdul Khalid.

In the 400-metre run, the Philippines' Pablo Sombingo, holder of this country's record of 48.5, may place second.

The Philippines could also spring a surprise in the 1,500-metre run in Alejandro Cabasara, an unknown speedster here.

### Swimming

Here as in track and field, Japan leads all the rest. The men's swim events in the Second Asian was a spectacle of Japan finishing in 1-2-3 order in all but two events. In the women's swimming, Philippine mermaids will give Japan a close fight but still lose in the overall standings. Japan has made loud noises recently that the Philippines better watch out in basketball. Shrewd observers say that while Japan's basketballers have improved considerably, the Philippines will still swamp them and the rest of the competition.

### Retain Title

The boxing event may again see the Philippines snatch about three or four titles in

even divisions, and will see them retain the boxing title.

Boxing comes naturally to the Filipinos, and here this country fears not Japan, but Korea, whose mitsudomari know little about the sport's science but are rugged, tireless punching lot.

In the Second Asian, the Philippines won gold medals in the flyweight, bantamweight, lightweight, light-welterweight, and light-middleweight divisions. It is in the shooting events that the Philippines fears Japan, although her shooters were tops in the Second Asian.

### Korea's Strong Men

In weightlifting, neither Japan nor the Philippines can overcome Korea's strong men.

But Japan's wrestlers, who grabbed all but one of the wrestling titles in the Second Asian, should find no difficulty repeating. Boasting the second largest delegation in Tokyo, 115 athletes in all (second only to Japan), the Philippines expect to land second place again. —France-Press.

### SHEILA WINS AGAIN



Winner for the second year in succession, Miss Sheila Wilcox takes her dun gelding, "High and Mighty", over one of the obstacles in the show jumping on the last day of the three-day Horse Trials at Badminton, Gloucestershire. This is the first time horse and rider have won a three-day event twice in succession. —Reuterphoto.

### The Price Of Glory

## FA CUP WINNERS STONED DURING VICTORY MARCH

Bolton, Lancashire, May 5.

Bolton Wanderers — winners of the Football Association Cup final last Saturday — were stoned with clogs, (stones with wood and iron soles and heels), tomatoes, and bags of flour when they passed through Manchester on their way home here tonight.

They arrived here still jubilant over their 2-0 victory over Manchester United—the Club sadly depicted by the losses in the Munich air crash.

Mr George Taylor, Bolton's coach and former player, made the stoning disclosure to a crowd of 20,000 gathered round Bolton Town Hall to welcome home the Cup winners.

There were boos from some parts of the astonished crowd. The disclosure came at the end of the great welcome. None of the players who had spoken earlier had mentioned it. But afterwards Nat Lofthouse, the team captain, told reporters: "Yes, it's quite true. There were a number of boogies on the route when we were passing through Manchester."

### Narrow Escapes

Some of the players had narrow escapes and got flour

over their jackets. But don't worry, we'll come through Manchester again next year if we win the Cup!

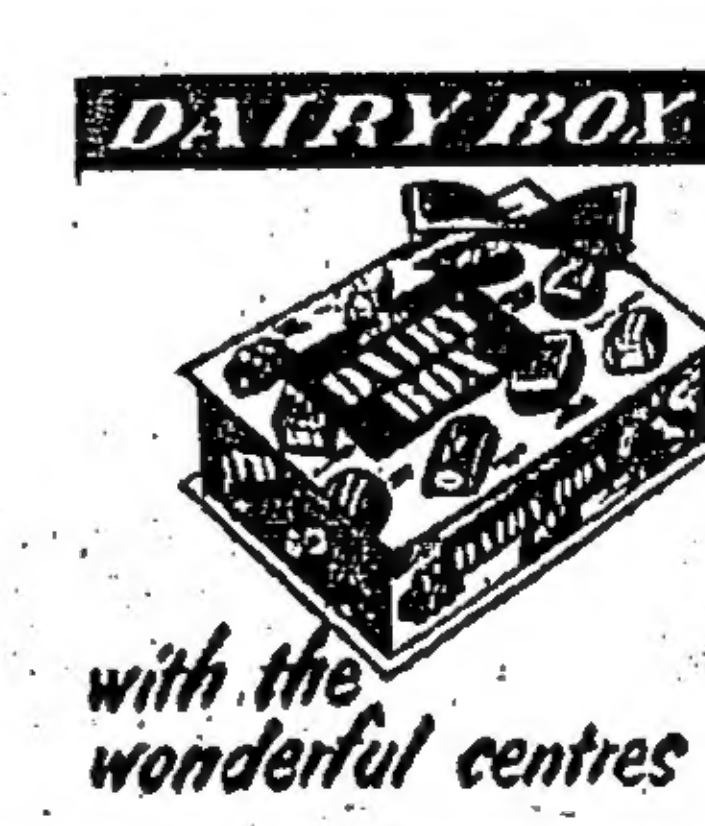
Long before the Bolton team reached here police and ambulance men had to deal with a number of casualties, mainly young children in danger of being crushed.

When the team arrived, sitting on the open roof of their coach, a sea of paper streamers in blue and white—the club colours—greeted them, and a hand struck tip: "The Happy Wanderers!"

Nat Lofthouse, his face beaming, proudly carried the cup above his head. Then so everyone could see it, he lifted the club's seven-year old mascot, David Hartley, on to the shoulders of a player, and then passed him the Cup to hold over his head. —Reuter.



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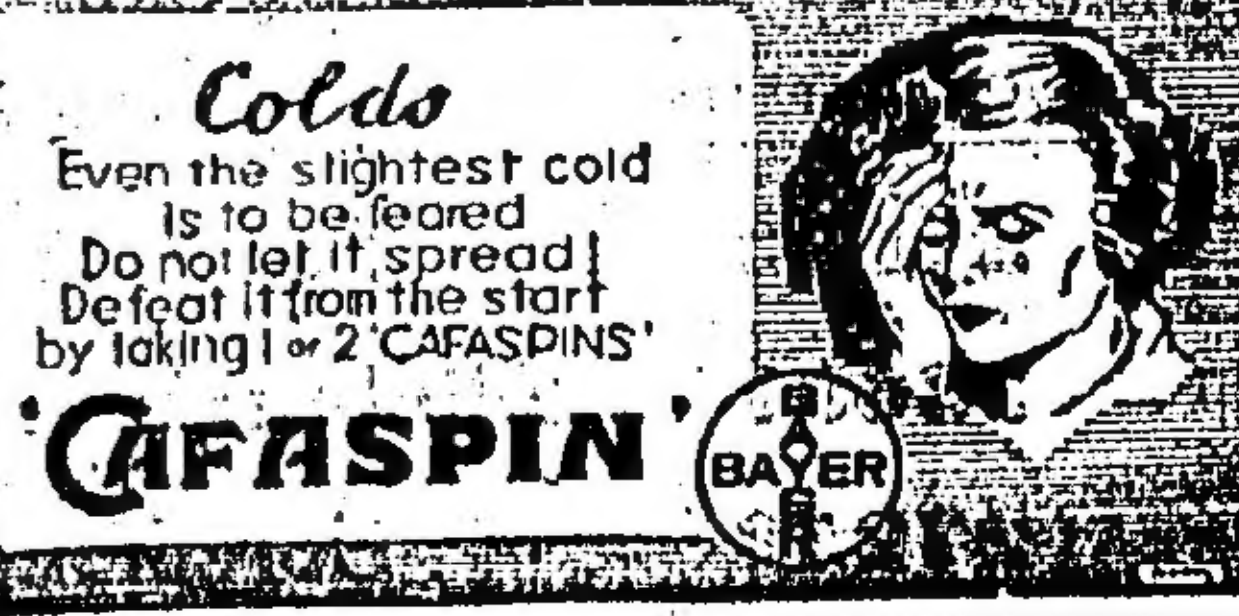
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# PLEASURE-LOVING DANES HAVE CHEAP AMUSEMENTS

By CAROL COGHILL

Copenhagen, May 5.

THE Danes are a pleasure-loving people and in their small democracy equality of opportunity is to be found in the field of amusement as well as that of politics.

They are fortunate in being able to enjoy several of their favourite leisure pastimes entirely free of charge. No Dane, for instance, lives more than 50 miles from the sea and there is no difficulty in finding free bathing beaches along the country's jagged coasts.

Most Danes love cycling and second-hand bicycles can be had for as little as 50 crowns (\$2.10). Skiing is another branch of sports available to everyone without other cost than a bus fare to the countryside. Winter sports are not, however, as popular in Denmark as in other Nordic countries, mainly because there is less snow and no mountains. Danish youth hunkering after winter sports can however, get holiday trips to Norwegian skiing resorts for about 120 crowns (\$20) a week.

## To Skate

Most Danes learn to skate, living as they do within walking distance of lakes and rivers. Copenhageners, lacking an artificial ice rink, can skate for nothing on the natural rinks supplied by the city's lakes.

Free tickets or tickets at reduced rates, encourage the younger generation to make frequent visits to theatres, operas and concert halls.

Schools get a certain number of free tickets for performances, and special forms of reduction apply to all students, including those attending evening schools. A good seat at the Royal Theatre in Copenhagen will thus cost a student about three crowns (three shillings).

Special theatre performances, with Denmark's best actors and special film shows are also put on for school children at a cost of two to three crowns (two or three shillings) a time.

Young people can get cheap dancing in the capital's numerous small cafes, where they can spend a whole even-

ing listening to a pianist or a small band for the price of a glass of beer—1.80 crowns (less than 2 shillings). Students can also find comfortable restaurants which will allow them reductions on the bill ranging from 10 to 25 per cent.

## Is Unique

In the world famous Tivoli Pleasure Gardens, the citizens of Copenhagen have a cheap form of entertainment which is unique in Europe. For an entrance fee of one crown (one shilling) for adults and 50 cene (5d) for children, they can see elaborate flower and fireworks displays, watch acrobatics and pantomime, and listen to music ranging from Johan Sebastian Bach to Irving Berlin, all without extra cost.

The quality of fare offered in the Tivoli Gardens is high. In one evening a visitor may manage to fit in both an Italian Renaissance pantomime and a concert of modern Scandinavian music.

Most Danish children go to State Schools, where attendance is free. School books, medical examinations and in many cases school lunches are also supplied without charge.

A State Scholarship fund, which will shortly be increased from 6,000,000 to 12,000,000 crowns (\$2,000,000 to \$4,000,000), as well as a variety of private scholarships provides funds for

Thousands of adults every year take courses at Denmark's celebrated "folk high schools," where fees and lodging amount to about 225 crowns (£11) a month. Government grants are also available for these adult education centres, which teach subjects ranging from agricultural technique to Danish poetry.

Size of rents varies considerably. In older buildings, in which rent restrictions are still in force, it will represent about seven per cent of the normal family budget. But it is not unusual for young couples moving into newly built flats to have to spend 25 per cent of their income on rent. A compensation is that Denmark, being an agricultural country, has fairly cheap food.

The cost of old age is reduced by extensive social legislation which includes old age pensions for all (at the age of 60 for women and 70 for men) at rates based on earnings and cheap flats for pensioners.

In fact, the "poor" Dane, with these facilities for free education, cheap amusement and an assured old age is better off than "poor" citizens in many other countries of the world.—China Mail Special.

Police Sergeant George Marshall testified he kept observation on the "Pride of Isles" and saw Miss Linzi John dance the fan dance, clad only in a G-string and two stars.

Because the men had crowded around so closely that she could not swing her fans, she had eventually discarded them.

Police sergeant Marshall agreed with defence counsel that Miss John's G-string was similar to the attire of an Indian fisherman "only briefer."

If the fans had not been discarded, he said, there would have been nothing unhealthy about her act.

Miss John produced a fan in court and demonstrated how she used it. She denied there was anything suggestive in her act.

Mrs Susanah Seaton, licensee of the "Pride of the Isle" was found guilty on three summonses.—China Mail Special.

## Search For Skaters Continues

London, May 5.  
Mr. Erich Herzig, leader of the Skating Orphans from Hamburg, today trumped the streets here in search of his three missing girl skaters.

It was the fourth day of Mr. Herzig's search for the three girls, who disappeared on Thursday shortly before they were due to perform at the London Palladium, Britain's greatest Vaudeville theatre.

Police have been alerted throughout the country to watch out for the girls—Gisela Schmidt (17), Ellen Bart and Truth Shriale Kruger, both 10.

Only one speaks English, and they had only £1 between them when they vanished near their lodgings in Erixton.

An official at Scotland Yard police headquarters said no clue had been found yet.

"We have had one or two reports saying that the girls have been spotted in the West End of London, but they have led to nothing," he said.—China Mail Special.

## Privilege

Another privilege enjoyed by students is a 25 per cent reduction on train fares between their home and their chosen centre of study, and a 50 per cent reduction on the few internal air routes.

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# WHAT'S ON TONIGHT

ROXY & BROADWAY: "Fraulein." Dana Wynter and Mel Ferrer in war-torn Berlin.

KING'S & PRINCESS: "The Devil's Hairpin." Cornel Wilde and Jean Wallace in a car racing drama.

HOOVER & LIBERTY: "Raintree County." Montgomery Clift and Elizabeth Taylor in a Civil War romance.

STAR & METROPOLE: "The Lady Takes A Flyer." Lana Turner & Jeff Chandler in a romance.

LEE & ASTOR: "The Light Across The Street." Brigitte Bardot as sultry as ever.

QUEEN'S: "Our Sister Hedy." A Chinese picture. MAJESTIC: "Across The Bridge." Rod Taylor. RITZ: "And God Created Woman." Brigitte Bardot.

ORIENTAL: "Blue Murder At St. Trinian's." A comedy. CAPITOL: "Hellcats Of The Navy." Ronald Reagan as the submarine captain.

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# This Is America

From JOHN THOMPSON



**I REPORT** the mystery of the moated castle built by a leading gangster in the heart of the Middle West. Why has "Buster" Wortman built it? That is the question that puzzles his friends and enemies alike. Buster Wortman is one of the most feared names in the American underworld.

Thirty-eight times arrested in his 53 years, he has only once been sentenced. He served eight years in the Alcatraz prison for shooting and wounding two Prohibition agents. With the honour of a good mobster, he turned on them when they attacked one of his friends. Now on an island 15 miles from St. Louis he has built himself a medieval-style castle with drawbridge and a moat 40ft deep. Indoors, the decorations are in the most contemporary ranch manner and the estimated cost of Buster's castle is \$250,000 (\$200,000). Asked why he had built this mobster's folly, Buster replied sarcastically, "It's for a boys' club."

But the mystery is doubled by the fact that so far Wortman shows no sign of moving in. He still lives quietly with his wife and son. Swarthy, broad-shouldered—and well-groomed in the 1958 underworld manner—Buster commutes each day to St. Louis. There he gets quietly on with his legitimate activities: running a racing news service, a transport firm in Jukebox, a racing stable.

So what are the moat and the drawbridge for? Wortman is quoted as saying he wanted a "sanctuary" but in St. Louis they talk today of the "Wortman Island mystery." Everybody speculates on the next move by this man who is regarded as the unofficial boss of the underworld south of Chicago.

EARRING guards are now for women. A tiny chain is called the ear-ring guard of sight inside the woman's hair-do.

FOURTEEN teenagers were rounded up in Brooklyn last week after knife warfare between two rival gangs. It involved a double stabbing at Coney Island, a wild, terrorised

trains that stood for all the plush and luxury of the American way of life will not run again. The crack, Royal Blue, a sleek, grey-and-blue diesel, pulled into Jersey City (just across Hudson River from New York) on its last run from Washington and Baltimore one night last week.

And the Twentieth Century Limited purred out of Grand Central en route for Chicago for its final time. Both trains had a reputation for very special service. Southerners coming into New York often waited hours for the Royal Blue: at Baltimore station there were rocking-chairs for its devotees. They swayed back and forth in the station waiting-room waiting for their favourite—rather than just catch the next ordinary train.

Rocking at 85 miles an hour through the rolling hills of Maryland, the last-ever passengers on the Royal Blue raised farewell toasts to the most famous train on America's oldest railroad. Passengers felt the celebrations on the Royal Blue were like those for a funeral supper. But tinged with the sorrow was the realisation of the hard economic facts.

As one official put it: "This run has been losing \$5,000,000 (\$1,785,000) a year for a long time. What can you do now?" The railroad that opened up this wonderful continent now relies for business as much on their freight loads as their passengers. Too many passengers today prefer to go by road or air.

HOLD-UP man nicknamed Pants Bandit (because he immobilised his victims by making them doff their trousers) got a 60-year sentence in Dallas, Texas, for six armed robberies.

RUNNING a Broadway musical is big business at its most extravagant. "Auntie Mame," the show that started with Rosalind Russell and now has Greer Garson, has brought in \$3,130,000 (\$1,170,000) in its first 68 weeks. But the net profit is only \$375,000 (\$133,000).

Among the receipts: royalties from the touring company, film rights, souvenir programme sales. Among the costs: 34 per cent of the receipts goes to the backers, an expensive production with a big cast, many scene changes, large number of hands, 10 per cent for the star. But despite all this negotiations are going on to bring "Auntie Mame" to London.

TWO DEER wandered into a populated area of Pasadena, California. Traffic Officer Walter Kilfores, sent to disperse them, promptly lost the seat of his trousers on the pointed end of one deer's horns.

SUMMER TIME in the U.S. is one week behind Britain. But Rushville, Illinois, has its own plans: last Sunday the 2,500 inhabitants put their clocks forward, but those in the court house and many offices will continue to keep on winter time.

NEXT time use a trap, said a judge to a Baltimore man in court for disturbing the peace. He fired off both barrels of a shotgun when a mouse invaded his apartment.

DADDY CHAYESKY (he wrote "Marty" and "The Bachelor Party" and has just had his new film "The God-dess" chosen to represent America at the Brussels World Fair) was in outspoken, off-the-cuff form here when he was invited to talk about current films, TV, and the theatre.

This "Zane Grey of the Bronx" as he is nicknamed, told us: "Things are looking up in Hollywood. Even bad pictures are now quite often successful."

Chayesky on Britain: "Some of the best dramatic writing on Broadway is in 'The Entertainer.' And for Olivier he had great admiration. Why? For the firm way Sir Laurence could turn down a film script flat after one reading."

On himself, Chayesky said: "My chief trouble is I write English as if it had been translated from Russian."

A MILLION students in 15,000 U.S. high schools are to be trained in measuring radioactive fallout. First trainees will be science students—and will complete their course by July next year.

HOTTEST turn at New York's Food Show is cooking by blow-torch—especially recommended for small kitchens.

The exhibitor picks up a steak in one hand, a blow torch in the other, and cooks the meat to a turn in his bare hands.

He hit on the idea when pressed for space in his tiny restaurant. Now he says: "It is the only way to cook, it seals in all the juices and is much faster than an oven. I can feed 150 people in my restaurant in half an hour."

Another stir exhibit in the show: A full-scale British fish-and-chip shop.

WORRIED MAN rushed into a Detroit store and handed the proprietor 498 packets of cigarettes and 50 cents (3s. 7d.). He explained that he had stolen 500 packets, but after smoking two his conscience troubled him.

TECHNICAL Sergeant Edwin Campbell, believed drowned after his clothes and wallet were found last May on a lonely shore at Palm Beach, Florida, has turned up again—inside the stockade at Ellington air base near Houston, Texas. Last week he sent this message to his London-born wife Patricia, who returned to England with their two children after he disappeared: "I hope you and the children are all right."

Campbell, aged 40, gave himself up. Charges will be preferred.

STARGAZING craze has been sparked off by the Sputnik and Explorer. Now the gadgeteers have caught up. They offer a device with a built-in computer that calculates how to locate everything in the skies.

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Korea, 5 p.m.  
By Surface  
Macao, 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7  
By Air  
Formosa, Okinawa, Japan, 10 a.m.  
Philippines, North Borneo, New Guinea, China, 1 p.m.  
Malaya, Ceylon, Australia, New Zealand, Korea, 3 p.m.  
Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.  
Formosa, 6 p.m.  
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China, People's Republic, 9 a.m.  
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## DEATH RAY COULD BE THE ULTIMATE WEAPON

### AOC's Wife Visits Shaukiwan Centre

By A Staff Reporter

Mrs P. D. Holder, wife of the Air Commodore, was welcomed upon her visit this morning to the Shaukiwan Centre by Mrs M. A. Meakins, General Secretary and Mr Li Sui-wing, Chairman of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children.

Mrs R. J. Picciotto, Chairman of the Women's Auxiliary, accompanied Mrs. Holder, who saw babies being bathed, weighed and carefully examined by voluntary helpers and Centre staff. In the creche upstairs infants suffering from malnutrition, sick or underweight were receiving special care and daily supervision.

One happy baby attracting attention with his merry, impish smiles, was pointed out to Mrs. Holder, as a tiny emaciated baby, brought in as a new case last autumn and who was thought to have a poor chance of survival. The mother at the end of her resources, so grateful for assistance, co-operated gladly and with the help of the Centre staff, the child has every hope of a healthy and normal existence.

#### CONGEE QUEUE

The congee queue was forming beside the kitchen door, mothers with young children, carrying many kinds of food receptacles were waiting for the appetizing thick soup of meat, bones, vegetables and rice reinforced with multi-vitamins.

Mrs Li said that during the last eight months 130,000 bowls of congee had been distributed to undernourished mothers and children attending the five centres, three in Hongkong and two in Kowloon.

Mrs Holder went on to the Eastern Centre in the Southern Playground-Headquarters where similar work was being carried on, but under rather more congested conditions. She heard of plans for a new Centre when negotiations with Government for the site are completed.

### DOG RESCUES TERRIER IN WARREN

Wellington, May 5. A dog which went missing in his favourite rabbit-hunting ground near Wanganui was rescued eight days later — by another dog.

The owners of the missing animal, a fox terrier, returned to the hillside Warren eight days after their pet disappeared. They brought a friend and his dog, and began digging, but soon gave up.

The other dog, however, chose a burrow and began digging furiously. It soon uncovered the missing fox terrier who, after a drink of water, was able to scamper home. — China Mail Special.

### Smithfield Supplies Down

London, May 5. London's Smithfield meat market — main distributing point for the capital — was running at about two-thirds of normal supplies today, as the unofficial strike of 1,050 transport workers entered its third week.

There was no indication of any moves to end the dispute, which began over a rejected pay claim to raise the workers' present basic wage of £10.5.0 by 15 per cent. An official of the market butchers' association said the market was well up on fresh meat, but down on imports. — China Mail Special.

Washington, May 5. Roy W. Johnson, head of the Defence Department's Advance Research Project Agency, said today the weapon of tomorrow "might be a death ray."

### Call For Free Trade With Reds

London, May 5. The Daily Express today called for the freeing of trade between Britain and China and Russia. It said that Britain's relations with the Communist bloc are in a state of confusion and efforts of diplomats have yielded no results. The Daily Express said "Clearly Communists in the Sputnik age can procure all strategic materials and war weapons they need out of their own resources. So if diplomacy cannot produce results why not try trade? Let businessmen take over from consuls. Lift restrictions, remove embargoes, let usmen go behind the Iron Curtain." The editorial added: — London Express Service.

### His Hobby Ran Away With Him!

London, May 5. A student accused in court here of travelling on the railways with intent to avoid payment of his proper fare pleaded that his hobby had "run away" with him.

Seventeen-year-old George Granger, a student of modern languages, was alleged to have used a ticket on which the date was partially erased. He told the Marlborough Street magistrate that he pleaded not guilty although he had rubbed out the date deliberately. George said he had travelled in the same way before, but it was not fraud in the "ordinary sense."

The money he saved in this way he spent on buying samples for his collection of London transport tickets which some at high prices — were not used for travel. George commented: "I'm sorry, I'm afraid I was simply that my hobby began to run away with me." The magistrate discharged him absolutely but ordered him to pay 31/6d costs. — China Mail Special.

### He Fails To Persuade Authorities

London, May 5. Lord Howe, a former racing motorist, failed in the House of Lords to persuade the British authorities to reverse their decision against having the Paris disc system in London to control car parking.

Under the disc system, motorists parking in certain congested zones must display a blue disc on their windscreen stating the time they parked the car, maximum parking time is 90 minutes.

Lord Manscroft said the disc would not solve the problem in London where traffic congestion was much more acute than in Paris with its broad avenues systematically linked.

Parading controls in London must increase the kerb-side space available for the short-term parker. The long-term parker must go to a garage. Lord Howe said the Paris system cost nothing whereas the motor system for Mayfair would cost £200,000 to install. — China Mail Special.

### Mine Found At Cheung Chau

A sea mine was found on the seashore at Cheung Chau Island late on Sunday afternoon. The Police Ballistics Officer went to Cheung Chau yesterday to examine the mine, which is wedged under a rock shelf some four feet under water at low tide. It is not visible at high tide. The Police Ballistics Officer reports that the casing of the mine is broken and the horns are still present. The mine appears to be an old one and is probably a relic of the Pacific War. Arrangements have been made to destroy the mine, and residents living in the vicinity have been warned.

### Disarmament Campaign Appeal

London, May 5. Prominent scientists, churchmen and authors today asked Mr Harold Macmillan not to support proposals to supply nuclear weapons to West Germany.

Canon L. Collins, President of St Paul's Cathedral and Chairman of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament sent the appeal to the Prime Minister. It also called on him to suspend further nuclear tests "until further efforts have been made to reach agreement on disarmament."

In a covering letter Canon Collins declared: "There is no doubt that the possession of British tests would be welcomed all over the world and might help to encourage the Soviet Government to continue its suspension of tests."

"Similarly a British refusal to support proposals to supply nuclear weapons to Western Germany would be greeted with acclamation from all those especially in Western Germany who fear that the extension of these horrible weapons to more and more countries will seriously and drastically increase the peril in which we live."

"In so far as the British Foreign Minister (Mr Selwyn Lloyd) will shortly be consulting with the other NATO Foreign Ministers at Copenhagen we send you this appeal in the hope that some action by your Government is still possible before irrevocable decisions have been taken."

The signatories included: Professor W. Heiler, Professor of Physics at Zurich University; Father Trevor Huddleston, former Provincial of the Anglican Community of the Resurrection in South Africa; Dr David Serfaty, President of the Methodist Conference; Earl Russell, the Philosopher; Professor Edward J. Conway of Dublin University; and authors Sir Compton Mackenzie and J. B. Priestley. — Reuter.

### POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



### SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



### Judge Sums Up In Murder Trial

Mr Justice A. D. Scholes at the Criminal Sessions this morning explained to a Jury of five men and two women the definitions of murder, manslaughter, provocation and self-defence in his summing-up at the trial of Lam Shung-ming, 43, on a charge of murder.

Lam was alleged to have killed his former employer, Lam Siu-ming, at the latter's house, 3 Lansdowne Road, ground floor, Kowloon Tong, on December 19 last. He is represented by Mr H. L. Hu instructed by D'Almeida and Mason.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Senior Crown Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted by Chief Del. Insp. F. Lodge, Buckingham.

In his summing-up, Mr Justice Scholes told this Jury that murder was the unlawful killing of another man with malice of forethought and did not imply that there was any premeditation.

Under certain circumstances, murder might be reduced to manslaughter by provocation. The provocation said to have been caused to an accused by the deceased man must be some act or a series of acts which would cause the accused some passion and loss of self-control so as to make him no longer master of his mind for the time being. There must be some relation between provocation and relations. Mr Justice Scholes said, and an attack by this might be answered by lists but not by the use of any weapon. If a Jury were in doubt as to whether there was provocation so as to reduce murder to manslaughter, they should decide on the issue in the accused's favour.

For a defence of self-defence, the Jury must hear from the evidence that the accused had done what he could to avoid the fight and that he had retreated as far as possible. "If he has done this and there was no other way of saving his life, then he was justified in killing the person," His Lordship said.

Onus On Crown. If the blows were struck not in self-defence and if there was no provocation, and if the accused struck the fatal blows with the intention to do grievous bodily harm to the deceased, then this was murder. His Lordship said. The onus was on the Crown to establish murder beyond all reasonable doubt and to show that the fatal blows were not struck in self-defence. The onus was not on the defence to establish self-defence. If the Jury were left with a reasonable doubt whether or not self-defence had been established, then they should return a verdict of not guilty. Mr Justice Scholes said the defence in this case was that the fatal blows had been struck in self-defence, that the wounds were caused by accident and that there was provocation by the deceased. Mr Justice Scholes also warned the Jury that an accused should not be convicted on the evidence of a child unless there was corroboration by some other material evidence.

### CONSPIRACY CASE

### Expert Witness Testifies

A merchant called as an expert witness in the opium conspiracy trial of an Indian and a Chinese testified this morning that he would not import unwilling cotton waste from Karachi for re-export "because it would not be worth the freight."

The witness, Mr H. D. Hoffman, gave evidence at the Victoria District Court that he examined a quantity of cotton bales seized by Revenue men and found it to be of a type of cotton waste.

Judge H. H. B. How is hearing the case. The two accused are alleged to have conspired between October last and February this year to deal in opium, and to have been in possession of 1,070 pounds of the drug on February 22.

The Crown case is that the opium was concealed in cotton bales shipped to Hongkong on three occasions between October and February.

Mr John McNeill, QC, and Mr V. L. J. Dalton, instructed by P. L. Lam and Co., are defending Verma, Mr Richard Winter, instructed by Hastings and Co., is representing Pul. Mr D. E. Greenfield and Mr D. G. Willis, Crown Counsel, are prosecuting, assisted by Det. Sub-Inspector G. J. Riddell, of the Narcotics Bureau.

Mr Hoffman said he had been dealing in cotton for 12 years. He stated that on March 21 he went with Inspector Riddell to a garage in Lyttelton Road and examined samples of cotton waste which he found there. The cotton waste was in bales. Witness said he found the cotton waste was of a type known as unwilling "gutter-fly."

On the other hand, they were so dazzled by the intellectual pretensions of "Bridge On The River Kwai." Not only did "Bridge" betray every sign of reluctance to explore Nicholson's "dictum," its half-hearted, half-salutary approach rendered its theme ambiguous and even questionable. The critics didn't question this; nor did they question the incredible stupidity of the Japanese officers, or their extraordinary leniency to their British captives. How come this inconsistency?

From what I have learned about "Young Lions" (though I haven't seen it), it does attempt to analyse a Nazi mind, but that doesn't mean it whitewashes Nazism. (The climactic scene of the film, I understand, is the mass execution in a Nazi concentration camp.) Can't the writer see that the "doctrine" is the root of any evil, and it is ignorant and narrow-minded to blame the "individual"? Even those who went through the Pacific war can't say all Japanese were bestial. This endeavour to understand the German mind, to recognise the basic humanity of the misguided, is both liberal and humane.

I do recall Brand's argument with Author Shaw: "There would be no progress that way. No nation is all good. There are Nazis and men of good will in every country. If we continue to say that all Germans were bad, we would add to the Nazis' argument that all Jews were bad." Moral ethics or commercialism? I'll say it is an infinitely more mature attitude than Lambert's provincialism, which seems to be the chief characteristic of those movie critics who spurn sincerity and good intentions in favour of hypocrisy and pretentiousness. — N. T. CHOW.

### ANSWERS

L. Rowe: We can't find it in the last 10 issues. Suggest you look through our files. Ed.

### Fatal Accident

A 60-year-old woman, Lal King who lived at No. 529, "H" Block, Li Cheng Uk Resettlement Area, was knocked down and fatally injured by a private car in On Chai Street near Pratas Street yesterday afternoon.

The woman died in Kowloon Hospital last night.

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